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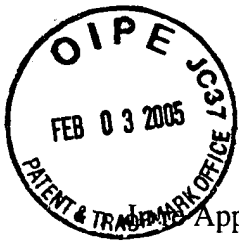
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AMENDMENT AND SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action of December 16, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW

On January 27, 2005, a telephone interview was held between Examiner Paul Royal, Supervisory Examiner Lesley Morris, Randall Bateman, and Brett Peterson. The application of prior art references U.S. 5,725,232 (Fleming) and U.S. 6,322,094 (Poe) to the pending claims was discussed. It was agreed upon that the flanges 60, 62, 64, 66, etc. are separate pieces attached to the back plate 14, and that as such, the back plate 14 does not extend below the base plate 24. It was agreed upon that Fleming does not teach the elements of claim 1 as currently pending.

It was also agreed upon that Poe teaches a covering for a ball hitch and does not teach a covering for a hitch alignment device.

Applicant was instructed not to amend claim 1 in responding to the outstanding amendment in light of the agreements reached during the telephone interview.